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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pending Claims

Claims 4 and 8 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 9 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 4 and 8 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Claim Objections

Claims 4 and 8 have been rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claim. Accordingly, the objection to these claims should be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1, 3, 6 and 9 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Mann, U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0138784. The rejection is rendered moot in view of the cancellation of these claims without prejudice or disclaimer.

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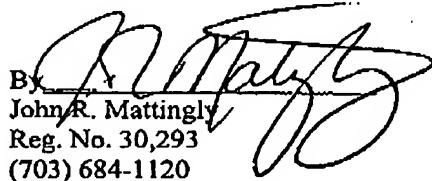
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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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